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PROVINCE IX EDUCATORS MEET

PANAMA CITY -- The Church School Missionary Offering and a forthcoming event for Christian educators were the major items as the Christian Education Committee of the Episcopal Church's Province IX met here in mid-December.

The Executive Council has designated the 1980-81 Church School Missionary Offering for work with children in the Ninth Province and part of the meeting was given over to planning the extensive education program that will illuminate the work of the Church in Latin America for the Offering.

The committee -- chaired by the Rev. Canon James Ottley -- also made plans for a provincial Christian education event that will be held May 26-31. The Rev. John Westerhoff of the Diocese of Missouri and Luis Reinoso of the Anglican Church in Peru will lead the event through the theme: "Christian Education in Latin America."

The Rt. Rev. Lemuel Shirley, Bishop of Panama and president of the province, welcomed the group while the Rt. Rev. Bernardo Merino, Bishop of Colombia and a committee member, celebrated the Eucharist.

Other members of the provincial committee are: the Rev. Daniel Robles, Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Srta. Martha Guerrero, Diocese of Northern Mexico; Sra. Veronica Flowers, Honduras; the Rev. Armando Guerra, Guatemala; and the Rev. Victor Scantlebury, Province IX Youth Coordinator, Panama. The Rev. Joseph Russell, Diocese of Oregon and consultant to the Office of Christian Education for 1980-81 CSMO project, and the Rev. David Perry, Office of Christian Education, also participated in the meeting.

Srta. Guerrero and Canon Ottley are the Regional Religious Education Coordinators for Province IX.

